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Perhaps T. R. is training down for 1920.

Information that 1,000 school children in New York were rioting against the Gary system will probably be taken by the kaiser as news of a protest against American participation in the war.

Since he got out of the idea of taking the boys out of the trenches by Christmas (1915), Henry Ford has been trundling right along with the vast majority of his fellow-citizens. His action in subscribing for \$5,000,000 Liberty bonds for himself and \$5,000,000 more for his company shows that he was merely mistaken in judgment before and not perverse in his opinions.

The efforts of the fuel committee of Vermont, aiding the similar committee of New England, appear to be bearing results in the arrival of many carloads of coal in Vermont. As many as 15 carloads came into Barre and Montpelier on a single day recently, nine of the cars being consigned to Barre; and other places in the state are reporting the arrival of consignments of unexpected size. The committees have already justified their appointment.

The death of John B. Taylor at Denver, Colo., Wednesday night removes one of the able newspaper men of Vermont, and his going will be regretted by a large number of people, particularly on the west side of the state, where his editorial activities had been centered. His work on the St. Albans Messenger, Burlington Free Press and Burlington News stamped him as a capable, reliable man, one of the sort which will be missed very much.

"Not fit to be a soldier" is the abrupt way in which a registered man was dismissed by the commanding officer in a Massachusetts camp recently. It applied to a man who had moved heaven and earth—almost—to shirk his duty to his country. The man had been accepted at first by the examining surgeon, whereupon he appealed to the district board and then to the president of the United States, only to have his appeal returned by the president without action. On second examination he was dismissed as "not fit to be a soldier." Such will be the record which probably will go with that man to his dying day—"not fit to be a soldier," meaning not perhaps that he would not have been physically equipped to carry a rifle but that he was lacking in some other requirement that goes to make a soldier. "Not fit to be a soldier" will be his name henceforth.

There is a completeness to the major operations of the French army that commands admiration from all observers. Whatever they undertake with great care and preparation they carry out, as a rule. Officers and men alike seem to feel the spirit of confidence founded on knowledge of good preparation and they go into the battle with vast enthusiasm. They are spurred on, too, by the conviction that they are fighting for the liberation of their country from the bondage of a hated foe. This combination of things gives their drives an impetus which carries them along with tremendous dash and energy; and the fury of their onrush seems to strike dismay into the hearts of the foe. So it was in the battle of the Aisne ridge on Tuesday. We have heard no reports of objectives being taken but we are informed that the French cleaned out the Germans from the last foot of the famous Aisne ridge, which formed one of the great obstructions to the advance on Laon, that in the vicinity of 8,000 Germans were taken prisoners, to say nothing of the other casualties and that something like 25 large guns were captured in the gallant dash of General Petain's troops. That is a complete job for one day. If the ground is held it will enable the French to keep the range on the inner defenses of Laon, the cornerstones, as it were, of the German line in France; and it may eventually mean the beginning of the evacuation of French territory by the Huns. For an entire army to pull up stakes on a front of approximately six miles and to advance about two miles into territory held by the enemy is a remarkable performance. In its completeness it was most clean-cut.

Before accepting the story of the Petrograd admiralty that 20 German warships were put out of action, six being sunk, to one battleship of the Russians sunk in the battle of Moon sound we should like to hear the German version—not because we would believe the German version but because we should endeavor to strike the happy medium between the two yarns. The Petrograd report is especially fantastical in that it relates the prodigious act of the only remaining sailor on board the sinking battleship Slava in firing a torpedo just before the ship went under, said torpedo being so well aimed that it struck a German torpedo boat and blew it (the German torpedo boat) to pieces; whereupon the Russian sailor said to himself "Well done," or the Russian equivalent, and went calmly to his death. (N. B. That last feature was added by us because our imagination was so deeply stirred by the imagination of the fellow in Petrograd who sent out the first part of the story.) So we want to hear the other side of the Moon battle story.

THE GERMAN OFFENSIVE AGAINST THE ITALIANS.

The throwing of German forces onto the Italian front may be the result of a frenzied plea from defeated Austria or it may be intended as a blow to nullify the effects of an expected reinforcement of the Italian army by the British and the French. There is no doubt that the Austrian forces were very much on the defensive following the strong Italian offensive on the Isonzo front, following which there was grave discontent in Austria-Hungary, if not open rebellion against the continuance of the war. It was certain that the demoralized Austrian forces could not stop the drive of General Cadorna single-handed; and Italian success there meant much toward the virtual elimination of Austria from the war. Therefore, it might have been a question for the kaiser either to lose what remaining assistance his Austrian ally was able to give or to remove some of his forces from the Russian front and transfer them to the Isonzo in order to bolster up the hard pressed Austrians. On the other hand, information undoubtedly came to the kaiser that British and French troops were being sent to aid the Italians with the apparent intention of striking at Germany's backdoor through Austria. To ward off that blow the kaiser may have dispatched a considerable section of the troops withdrawn from the Russian front in order to get in the first blow against the threatened offensive—a policy which he instituted at the very outset of the war and which he has tried to follow ever since. That he is getting in the first blow in this instance is indicated by the reverse suffered by the Italians under General Cadorna; but the initial success does not mean that the Italians are defeated, for the advantage almost always rests at first with the side which masses huge forces and thrusts at a single point on the line. The test comes in the ability of the offensive to continue its march; and Italy will not be beaten by the combined Austro-German forces until she is forced to relinquish her hard-earned gains on the whole sector. And even if such should prove to be the outcome it would have little bearing on the military situation of the two sides in the war.

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MARSHFIELD

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Story of North Montpelier were the guests of Miss Ruby Davis over Sunday.

The Spencer house will be closed to the traveling public after this week, on account of poor health of members of the family.

Henry Preston, who has been visiting at E. J. Morrell's, left Thursday for his home in Hartford.

Clarence Pitkin was in Peacham Friday night to play for a dance there.

Mrs. Anna Towne of Boston, Mass., is visiting relatives in town and vicinity.

Miss Emily H. Stickney of the Kurn Hattin homes is the guest of Miss A. L. Burnham.

E. L. Spencer and wife are moving to the Spencer house to live with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Spencer.

Mrs. F. B. Garfield and brother, Will McQueen, were called to Glover Tuesday by the death of their sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Dow of Northfield, Mass., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Wheeler.

The theme of the pastor's address next Sunday morning will be "The Divine Conqueror." The pastor will also present another of the illustrated addresses for the young people based upon the character of Moses.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Webber of Waterbury, Conn., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Furness this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. May and daughter, Gretchen, were visitors in Montpelier on Friday.

J. J. Davis is moving his family into the house owned by E. L. Spencer on Cabot street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Davis and daughter, Ruby, and Mrs. E. V. Spencer attended the musical convention at East Montpelier this week.

Albert Wheeler is visiting his mother in Colebrook, N. H., this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bartlett returned Thursday night from Portland, Me., and he has resumed his work at the station.

Rev. F. E. Currier of Lower Cabot preached at the Methodist church last Sunday.

Mrs. Clara Clark of Barre is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. D. McGrillis, who is very ill with bronchial pneumonia.

The Knights of Pythias of the local lodge are to go to Waterbury next Tuesday night to work the third degree.

GROTON

Mrs. Emma J. Clark was at Montpelier Thursday. She was accompanied by Mrs. Josephine Clark of Wells River.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sweet of Orleans and Robert Renfrew of Middlebury have been passing the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Renfrew.

Norman Graham has moved his family from Westville to Kicker's Mill, where he has employment.

Jessie Davis of St. Johnsbury was a visitor in town on Wednesday.

Clyde Welch, who has been passing a part of the week with his parents and other relatives, returned to Westfield, Mass., yesterday.

Mrs. E. A. Clark entertained the Red Cross branch Thursday afternoon. Next Wednesday afternoon they will meet with Mrs. B. S. Eastman.

Miss Beatrice French, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George French of Topsham, and Charles Fiske, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Fiske, also of Topsham, were married Oct. 19 at the Baptist parsonage by Rev. G. D. Gould.

H. R. Page is recovering from his illness from pneumonia.

Rev. Joseph Hamilton of Randolph preached at the Methodist church Thursday evening.

Miss Linnie Johnson was given a linen shower at her home Wednesday evening, in view of her approaching marriage to Lester Freer. About twenty-five were present and enjoyed a pleasant time. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served. Many useful and beautiful presents were given.

Services at the Baptist church will be at the usual hour Sunday. The topic of the morning service will be "Thoughts on Creation." The ladies of the church will hold their annual sale Nov. 1 and 2, with the usual line of articles. A chicken-pie supper will be served Thursday evening and a variety supper on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Keenan, who are moving to St. Johnsbury, were given a party Wednesday evening. About forty of their friends were present. Refreshments were served and the evening spent in dancing.

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